

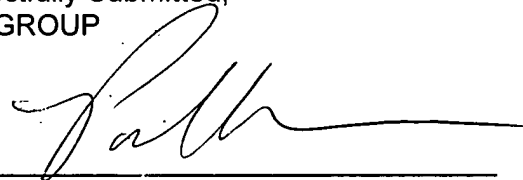
REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the careful review of this application. Claims 1-7, 15, 17-23 and 29-33 have been allowed. Claim 34 was rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,700,326 to Devir.

Claim 34 has been cancelled without prejudice. The amendment was made solely to expedite the prosecution of this application and to obtain an early Notice of Allowance. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of claim 34 and reserves the right to re-introduce it and claims of an equivalent scope in a continuing applications.

If in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (650) 333-0180.

Respectfully Submitted,
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